

BE ALERT FOR HOMEOWNER SCAMS

Although we are unaware of any current complaints in the area, during the spring and summer months some individuals seek to defraud citizens with various low cost home repair type scams. A frequent example of this

scam involves driveway paving. The perpetrator will tell a homeowner that they just finished another job and have leftover asphalt and offer to resurface their driveway or sidewalk at a reduced cost.

The perpetrators will apply a thin layer that may break away in a matter of days. They will have already collected their money from the homeowner who is now left with substandard work.

Another similar scam is barn painting where the perpetrator will paint the barn with substandard water-based paint that is quickly found to be of low quality, however the perpetrator has long left with his cash.

In some cases the perpetrator will leave a homeowner their card and then come back and perform exterior work the following day when the homeowner is away and then demand payment.

Citizens should be alert for these types of scam artists and contact their nearest law enforcement agency if they feel they have been approached. These perpetrators tend to especially target the elderly.